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FEDERAL MARITIME COMM

TO : Bryant L. VanBrakle, Secretary      DATE: January 6, 2004  
FROM : Rebecca F. Dye, Commissioner *RF*

SUBJECT : Petition Numbers P3-03, P5-03, P7-03, P8-03 and P9-03

On January 6, 2004, I met with Mr. Peter Friedman, who is the Washington representative of the Pacific Coast Council of Customs Brokers & Freight Forwarders Association (Pacific Coast Council), at his request to discuss his views on the above referenced petitions to the Federal Maritime Commission (FMC). The Pacific Coast Council is the organization that represents the independent customs brokers, freight forwarders, and non-vessel operating common carriers (NVOCCs) along the West Coast. The five petitions request that the Commission take various actions regarding NVOCCs, service contracts, and tariff publication.

Mr. Friedman discussed his support for various aspects of the above referenced petitions.